



Carroll Co. ATC Summer Career Camp

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To say the Carroll Co. ATC Summer Career Camp was on a fast track would have been an understatement as students were treated to advanced technical classes at the school capped by a finale at the Kentucky Speedway in nearby Sparta.



Student Justin Hearn admires one of the cars at the Ky. Speedway.

Classes in industrial maintenance, carpentry, health sciences and automotive technology were offered during the first camp presented by the school.

"One of the most exciting aspects of the week was to see our teachers come together as a real team," said Carroll Co. ATC Principal Jennifer Stafford. "Both our teachers and students came away with a better understanding of all the courses we offer at our school."

Liz Riddle conducted the health sciences project. Students created their own first aid kits.

"The students will be able to apply the first-aid skills they learned in real-life situations," she said. "I hope they share their experience with others in the community in order to increase awareness of our school and what we have to offer."



Pictured, above: a finished first aid kit and left, Liz Riddle in front of her Power Point presentation.



The health sciences class also featured a Power Point presentation on the emergency medical services system where students were able to learn about the many occupations and training necessary to become paramedics or EMTs.



Carpentry Instructor Ted Lowe

Carpentry Instructor Ted Lowe's class made tool boxes that the students were able to take home.

The students first learned procedures of how to operate equipment in a safe manner before moving on to the creative portion of the class.

"You don't often have a 'volunteer army' come into the classroom, but these students really wanted to be here and their enthusiasm was contagious," said Mr. Lowe. "It was a great week for students and teachers alike. I think the summer camp will go a long way toward promoting technical education in our area."

The automotive technology class, taught by Instructor Sam Hollar was a precursor to the visit at the speedway as students learned to assemble a model "racing car" and run them in competition.

"It's good to see the students become so involved in the projects," he said. "We took written instructions, transferred that knowledge to a

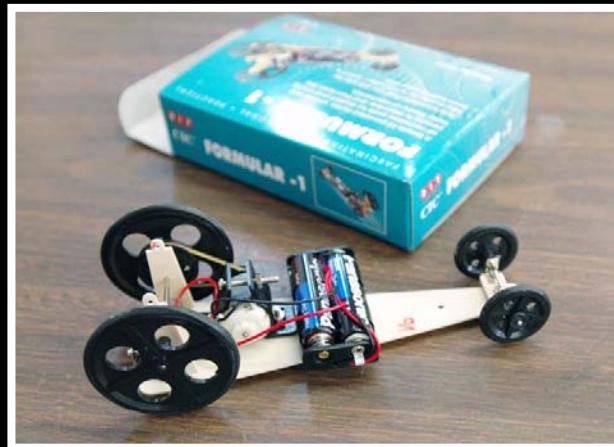
physical project and saw the outcome when we raced the cars. It helps a student to apply the written text into an actual project.”

Chuck Hollingsworth led the class in industrial maintenance technology which made an electronic experiment lab in which the students could perform up to 180 experiments.

“We learned about basic DC wiring and control circuits,” said Mr. Hollingsworth. “The students took a keen interest in the projects



Automotive Technology Instructor Sam Hollar works with a student on her model car.



Pictured above left: the finished car and right, Mr. Hollar getting ready to start the race.

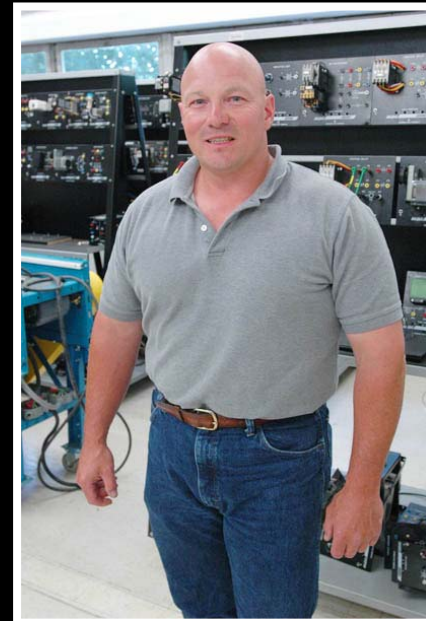
and I expect to see many of them back here as regular ATC students.”

David Edwards, a 9th grade student at Gallatin County summed up his experience at the camp decisively.

“I like the camp because of the hands on work,” he said. “I want to come to the ATC now.”

Career Camp goals all over the state reflect the desire to bring new students to the ATCs but more than that, to bring a different kind of learning environment to students with many different interests.

The Carroll Co. camp got off to a good start in achieving that goal and is putting their students on a fast track to a more enhanced learning experience.



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